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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | DG DEFIS A1 |
| Post number in sysper: | 345390 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Anne FORT  3rd quarter 2023  2 years  Brussels  Luxemburg  Other: Click or tap here to enter text. |
|  | With allowances  Cost-free |
| This vacancy notice is open to:  EU Member States  EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) | |
| This vacancy notice is also open to:  The following EFTA countries:  Iceland  Liechtenstein  Norway  Switzerland  The following third countries:  The following intergovernmental organisations: | |
| Deadline for applications | 2 months  1 month |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

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| Being notably entrusted with the development of the defence industrial policy agenda and the implementation of the European Defence Fund, DG DEFIS/A is steadily scaling-up its activities. Overall, the mission of Directorate A “Defence Industry” (composed of 4 Units) is to promote the sustainable competitiveness of the EU defence industry by fostering its innovation and development capacity and achieving a genuine European defence market, notably through the successful implementation of the European Defence Fund and its precursor programmes  The mission of Unit A.1 is to contribute to the strengthening the European Defence Technological and Industrial Base (EDTIB), for a more competitive, innovative and integrated European defence industry and in support of the EU’s strategic autonomy.  Through the development of EU policies and measures aimed at the deepening of the defence single market and in support of innovation, competitiveness and resilience, A.1 aims in particular at incentivising cross-border European industrial cooperation in the defence sector and at increasing the resilience of the EU value chains underpinning defence industry, in particular by reducing technological and industrial dependencies.  A key aspect of A.1 mission is also to ensure the proper articulation between the strategic analysis at European level of the threats and capability needs, and the definition of the EU’s and Commission’s priorities in terms of defence industrial policy.  The Directorate’s core objective is to create the framework conditions of greater European cooperation in support of innovative defence technologies and future-proof capabilities, job creation and sustainable growth, and greater strategic autonomy and resilience. |  |  |

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

A post of legal/policy officer. His/her task will be to contribute to improving the functioning of the defence market and increasing competition, while taking into account the specificities of the defence sector. He/she will in particular contribute to the implementation and enforcement of the Defence and Security Procurement Directive (Directive 2009/81/EC). This includes participating in support activities to assist Member States in the implementation of the Directive. It may also include handling of complaints and infringement files. He/she will also provide support in the preparation and implementation of new Commission proposals, for instance in the field of cooperative procurement.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

A candidate with good knowledge of the EU rules in the field of defence procurement and relevant experience in this domain. Experience in the application of the EU rules of defence procurement in the framework of cooperative/joint procurement would be an asset*.*

The post requires candidates to be in possession of a valid Personnel Security Clearance (PSC) at EU Secret level. The successful candidate will be required to undergo security vetting if (s)he does not already hold security clearance at the appropriate level, in accordance with the relevant security provisions.

A good command of English is necessary for the performance of the duties and the efficient communication with internal and external stakeholders.

Diploma

- university degree or

- professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level in the field(s) : preferably (but not limited to) law

**Eligibility criteria**

The secondment will be governed by the **Commission Decision C(2008) 6866** of 12/11/2008 laying down rules on the secondment to the Commission of national experts and national experts in professional training (SNE Decision).

Under the terms of the SNE Decision, a national expert needs to comply with the following eligibility criteria at **the starting date** of the secondment:

Professional experience: at least three years of professional experience in administrative, legal, scientific, technical, advisory or supervisory functions which are equivalent to those of function group AD.

Seniority: having worked for at least one full year (12 months) with the current employer on a permanent or contract basis.

Employer: must be a national, regional or local administration or an intergovernmental public organisation (IGO); exceptionally and following a specific derogation, the Commission may accept applications where the employer is a public sector body (e.g., an agency or regulatory institute), university or independent research institute.

Linguistic skills: thorough knowledge of one of the EU languages and a satisfactory knowledge of another EU language to the extent necessary for the performance of the duties. The national expert from a third country must produce evidence of a thorough knowledge of the EU language necessary for the performance of his duties.

**Conditions of secondment**

During the full duration of the secondment, the national expert remains employed and remunerated by his / her employer and covered by his / her (national) social security system.

He / she shall exercise his / her duties within the Commission under the conditions as set out by aforementioned SNE Decision and be subject to the rules on confidentiality, loyalty and absence of conflict of interest as defined therein.

Allowances can only be granted when the national expert fulfils the conditions provided for in Article 17 of the SNE decision.

Staff posted in a European Union Delegation are required to have a security clearance (up to SECRET UE/EU SECRET level according to [Commission Decision (EU, Euratom) 2015/444 of 13 March 2015](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32015D0444). The selected candidate has the obligation to launch the vetting procedure before getting the secondment confirmation.

**Submission of applications and selection procedure**

Candidates should send their application according to the **Europass CV format** ([[Create your Europass CV | Europass](https://europa.eu/europass/en/create-europass-cv)](http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/documents/curriculum-vitae)) in English, French or German **only to the Permanent Representation / Diplomatic Mission to the EU of their country**, which will forward it to the competent services of the Commission within the deadline fixed by the latter.The CV must mention the date of birth and the nationality of the candidate.

Candidates are asked not to add any other documents(such as copy of passport, copy of degrees or certificate of professional experience, etc.). If necessary, these will be requested at a later stage.

**Processing of personal data**

The Commission will ensure that candidates’ personal data are processed as required by Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council ([[1]](#footnote-1)). This applies in particular to the confidentiality and security of such data. Before applying, please read the attached privacy statement.

1. () Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39 [↑](#footnote-ref-1)